

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[IC98-1-001 FERC Form No. 1]

## Information Collection Submitted For Review and Request For Comments

June 10, 1998.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the energy information collection listed in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13). Any interested person may file comments on the collection of information directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received comments from electric utilities, federal and state agencies responding to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of February 17, 1998 (63 FR 7777-8). In its submission to OMB the Commission has addressed these comments and included a listing of the commenters.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before July 16, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Desk Officer, 726 Jackson Place, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Division of Information Services, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.fed.us.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Description

The energy information collection submitted to OMB for review contains:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC Form 1 "Annual Report for Major Electric Utilities, Licensees and Others."

2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

3. *Control No.:* OMB No. 1902-0021. The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. There is an increase in the reporting burden due to an increase in the number of entities who are now subject to the Commission's jurisdiction and as a result must submit this annual report. This is a mandatory information collection requirement.

4. *Necessity of Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the provisions of the Federal Power Act (FPA). Under the FPA the Commission may prescribe a system of accounts for jurisdictional companies, and after notice and hearing, may determine the accounts in which particular outlays and receipts will be entered, charged or credited. The FERC Form 1 is designed to collect financial information from privately owned electric utilities and licensees who have generation, transmission, distribution and sales of electric energy, however produced throughout the United States and its possessions, subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

*Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises on average, 210 companies subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 255,570 total burden hours, 210 respondents, 1 response annually, 1,217 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to Respondents:* 255,570 hours ÷ 2,008 hours per year × \$109,889 per year = \$13,450,290, average cost per respondent = \$64,049.

**Statutory Authority:** Sections 4, 301, 304 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 791a-825.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-406-000]

## CNG Transmission Corporation; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

June 10, 1998.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding on Wednesday, June 17, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. through Thursday, June 18, 1998, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined in 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact William J. Collins (202) 208-0248.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 271-AR]

## Entergy Arkansas, Inc.; Notice of Entergy Arkansas, Inc. To Use Alternative Procedures in Filing a License Application

June 10, 1998.

On May 26, 1998, the existing licensee, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. (Entergy), filed a request to use alternative procedures for submitting an application for new license for the existing Carpenter-Rommel Hydroelectric Project No. 271. The project is located on the Ouachita River, in Garland and Hot Springs Counties, Arkansas, and consists of two developments. The 56.0 megawatt (MW) Carpenter development includes Lake Hamilton Reservoir, which is created by Carpenter Dam. The downstream 11.0 MW Rommel development includes Lake Catherine Reservoir, which is created by Rommel Dam. The project does not occupy lands of the United States.